

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1207

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 78
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Housing, to which was referred S.R. No. 78 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION CONVENING A WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP MORE COLLABORATIVE INFORMATION AND DECISION-MAKING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AS IT RELATES TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to convene a working group to develop more collaborative information and decision-making policies and procedures for community engagement as it relates to community development districts.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Kaka'ako United, Hawaii's Thousand Friends, Life of the Land, Kaka'ako Makai Community Planning Advisory Council, and ten individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the community residents are important stakeholders who have an interest in development in their community development districts. The Legislature has received complaints that the Hawaii Community Development Authority has repeatedly disregarded and failed to act on community concerns expressed at the Hawaii Community Development Authority community meetings, public hearings, and board meetings. Thus, it is in the best interest of the State and community



development districts to implement clear, fair, open, and collaborative procedures.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting language related to the concerns raised by community residents and other stakeholders due to the Hawaii Community Development Authority not following its own long-range plans for the mauka and makai areas in Kaka'ako; and
- (2) Specifying that the working group may include up to four Hawaii Community Development Authority members.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 78, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 78, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services and
Housing,



SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair



Record of Votes
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